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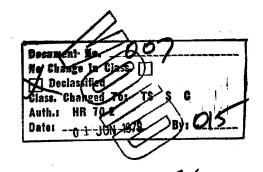
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SUPPLEMENT TO REPORT NO.

- 1. The Folitical Commission of the Communist Party of Chile (PCCh) has become concerned over an increasingly questioning spirit noted among the Party militants. A tendency has been observed among the members, especially those in the provinces, to raise questions constantly about relations between the Chilean Party and the USSR. These members are worried about being accused of being anti-patriotic because of their membership in a party which has such close international ties. The Political Commission reports the cases of comrades who have asked their local leaders not to talk so much about the USSR.
- 2. There has been a recent attempt by the PCCh to exchange information with European and other Communist Parties to learn whether they have experienced the same difficulty.
- 3. The Political Commission has appointed a committee within the Commission to study a plan to counteract the anti-USSR propaganda which is appearing in Chilean newspapers, magazines and moving pictures. It is not felt that the FCCh members are sufficiently prepared to counteract this propaganda, and it is feared that this deficiency could be seriously harmful in the future. It is noted thay many young Communists have ceased working since the anti-Communist campaign began and take no part in cell activity or in any Party mass movements.



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